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Date: 11/24/1998

To: Las Vegas

From: Las Vegas

Squad 6

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

(U) Approved By: [REDACTED]

(U) Drafted By: [REDACTED]

(U) Case ID #: (S) 199M-LV-NEW-(Pending)

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OO: LAS VEGAS

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IT - MUJAHEDIN;  
OO: LAS VEGAS

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(U) ~~(S)~~ SSN:  
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(U) ~~(S)~~ On December 23, 1998, an NCIC criminal history

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On December 23, 1998, the automated records of the  
Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) were caused to be searched for  
verification of a [redacted]  
The official DMV records reveal [redacted] has a valid

[redacted] which expires on  
[redacted] The record reflects [redacted] is a  
[redacted] The record

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(U) ~~(S)~~ DMV registration records were negative for any  
vehicles registered to [redacted] however, a vehicle  
registered to [redacted] The  
vehicle [redacted]

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(U) [redacted] The vehicle is registered to [redacted]

(U) ~~(S)~~ A check of the Sprint Telephone Company directory  
reflects [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ The following investigation was conducted by Investigative Analyst (IA) [redacted] at Las Vegas, Nevada.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On December 22, 1998, the automated records of the [redacted]

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(U) [redacted] Las Vegas, Nevada, and [redacted]

(U) ~~(S)~~ The records reflect [redacted] Las Vegas, Nevada, [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ A further review of the record reflects [redacted] [redacted] Date of Birth (DOB) [redacted] Social Security Number (SSN) [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ The address listed for [redacted] is [redacted] [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

(U) ~~(S)~~ The original [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ The Clark County Recorder's Office automated records reflect [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ There is no record of any [redacted]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 12/23/1998

To: Las Vegas

Attn: SA [REDACTED]

From: Las Vegas  
Squad 6

Contact: IA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: ~~(SECRET)~~ 199M-LV-31329

(U) Title: ~~(SECRET)~~ [REDACTED]

IT - MUJAHEDIN;  
OO: LAS VEGAS

Synopsis: ~~(SECRET)~~ IA [REDACTED] is submitting the results of record checks [REDACTED]

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(U) [REDACTED]

Reference: ~~(SECRET)~~ 199M-LV-31329 Serial 1

Enclosures: ~~(SECRET)~~ Enclosed with the instant Electronic Communication (EC) are the originals and one copy each of two investigative inserts reflecting the results of record checks conducted in connection with the captioned matter.

Details: ~~(SECRET)~~ IA [REDACTED] has conducted record checks in an [REDACTED]

~~(SECRET)~~ The Las Vegas Office indices contain no identifiable information [REDACTED]

~~(SECRET)~~ The results of the record checks are recorded on the attached inserts.

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FROM: [REDACTED]  
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To: Las Vegas From: Las Vegas  
Re: ~~(SECRET)~~ 199M-LV-31329, 12/23/1998

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/08/1999

To: National Security  
Las Vegas

ATTN: [REDACTED]

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From: Las Vegas

Squad 6

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: (S) 199M-LV-31329 (Pending)

Title: ~~CHANGED~~

(S) AZZAM PUBLICATIONS;  
IT - MUJAHEDIN;  
OO: LAS VEGAS

Enclosures: (S) Enclosed for National Security are three (3) copies of text files and photographic files downloaded from the Azzam Publications internet site.

Synopsis: (S) This communication documents the photographic and textual content of the Azzam Publications Internet web site.

(S) ~~Derived From: G-3~~  
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Previous Title: (S) Title marked "Changed" to reflect the target of this investigation as the authors of the Internet website [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IT-  
MUJAHEDIN."

(U) [REDACTED]

Details: (S) On 01/05/1998, SA [REDACTED] downloaded various text files to disk from the Azzam Publications Internet website, "www.webstorage.com/~Azzam." The following is a description and analysis of its contents.

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Re: ~~(S)~~ 199M-LV-31329, 01/08/1999

(U) ~~(S)~~ The Azzam Publications website purports to be a site dedicated to dissemination of "hard to find" materials related to Jihad. The website is replete with Mujahedin soldier's firsthand accounts of fighting in Afghanistan, Chechnya, and Bosnia. There are also several biographies of Mujahedin fighters who have attained a martyr's status by fighting and dying in Jihad in the aforementioned countries. [REDACTED] b5

(U) ~~(S)~~ [REDACTED] The website carries articles calling on all Muslims to take part in Jihad. Specifically, Azzam Publications encourages all Muslim men to spend at least four months fighting in Jihad as part of their religious obligations. It further states that all Muslim men who do not participate in Jihad are "sinful."

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[REDACTED] What Can I  
Do to Help Jihad and the Mujahideen?:

Azzam Publications is not an organisation that 'sends' or 'sponsors' people to go on Jihad. We believe that if a person is sincere in his heart to Allah and sincerely makes dua to Allah, then Allah will open the way for him to the Land of Jihad and the Mujahideen. In the same way that a determined businessman can travel to Outer Mongolia to clinch a business deal, can an educated person not find out how to get to e.g. Bosnia, Afghanistan or Eritrea?

(U) ~~(S)~~ Also in furtherance of the Jihad, the Azzam website encourages Western Muslims to donate money to the Mujahedin. Azzam discourages Muslims from donating to "relief organisations" because of the large cut taken out of the donated money for administrative costs and obligations. Azzam states that

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Muslims should rather send their money to Azzam, where it is guaranteed to be used for the support of the Mujahedin and Jihad. Concerning the term "Jihad" as it is used, and given the context it is used within, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The following text appears under the heading Raising, collecting and donating money:

Azzam Publications is able to collect all kinds of Zakah and Sadaqah donations and pass them on to where they are most needed....it does NOT support, financially or otherwise, terrorist acts against innocent citizens, in ANY country in the world.  
(Emphasis in original)

(U) (S) The website also asks that Muslims gain knowledge of technologies which could aid the Mujahedin in their Jihad. Specifically, the skills emphasized as important to acquire are listed as "...computer networking, foreign languages, radio, satellite and tele-communications, medicine, car mechanics, etc. etc." Under the same heading there is also a statement as to the importance of those in the West who could purchase highly sophisticated equipment such as high frequency radios.

(U) (S) Also contained on the site is a photographic and textual documentation of an alleged Mujahedin "military operation" on a Russian Army detachment in Chechnya in October, 1995. The purpose of the attack was "...to let the Russians know the strength of the Mujahideen and to pressurize them to reach a conclusion regarding their involvement in Chechnya." The documentation is attached to this communication.

(U) (S) Finally, the website contains Internet links to other Internet sites maintained by the Egyptian IG, Smith and Wesson Handguns, and Combative Concepts, Inc. - Firearms, Handgun, Weapons and Tactical Training.

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## WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP JIHAD AND THE MUJAHIDEEN ?

### Fighting in the Jihad and visiting the battlefronts

Obviously the best way of helping Jihad and the Mujahideen is by actually going to the lands of Jihad and physically fighting. This is the only action that lifts a person from the punishments mentioned in the following Ahadeeth: "Whoever dies and did not fight in battle, nor did he have the sincere wish to fight in battle, dies on a branch of hypocrisy." [Muslim] It is essential to note here that the sincere wish to fight in battle must be backed up and proven by training for Jihad together with the saving of money to spend on it. Merely sitting back, making dua and having wishful thoughts does not match this wish. "Whoever meets Allah without any mark of Jihad on him, meets Allah with a defect." [Tirmidhi, Ibn Majah] Any Muslim who sincerely wished the supremacy of Islam on this earth must be prepared to give his blood for it. People of other faiths and ideologies are ready to sacrifice their lives but the Muslims are victims of the two diseases mentioned by the Prophet Muhammad (SAW) in a long hadith describing the last days, "Love of this life and hatred of death." [Abu Dawud]

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### Raising, collecting and donating money

The Messenger of Allah (SAW) said in an authentic Hadith that "Whoever equips a fighter has taken part in the fighting (i.e. in terms of his reward, but not as an excuse if the concerned person is a brother)" [Bukhari]. Around the Muslim world, the Jihad is being entirely funded by donations from individuals. It is not the amount that is given but the sincerity of the person who gives it. We have seen in some cases that thousands of pounds donated by certain people has been finished very quickly, whereas only £10 given by other people has lasted a very long time. Indeed Allah says in the Quran, *"It is neither their meat nor their blood that reaches Allah, but it is piety from you that reaches Him."* [22:37] in reference to the animals that are sacrificed for the Sake of Allah.

Therefore the first and most important thing that Muslims can do in the West is to donate money and to raise it amongst their families, friends and others. In the UK today, millions of pounds is spent on building and refurbishing large beautiful mosques, whereas the Muslims are still getting further away from their Deen and fewer and fewer people are attending these mosques. Jihad is a profitable investment that pays handsome dividends. For someone who is not able to fight at this moment in time due to a valid excuse they can start by the collection and donation of funds.

All major scholars of the world today are agreed today that to give Zakah to the Mujahideen is one of the best forms of Zakah. Muslims in the West give hundreds of thousands of pounds of Zakah money every year to relief organisations, many of which take a healthy cut for unnecessary administrative expenditure. To cite an example of priorities, once Ibn Taymiyyah (a very famous scholar who lived in the 13th Century Christian Era) was asked by some people who had the choice between donating their money to either the starving refugees or the Mujahideen. His reply was, "If you do not give it to the starving refugees, then you risk losing these refugees who may die by the Will of Allah. However, if you do not give it to the Mujahideen, then you risk losing not only those Mujahideen, but the refugees they are protecting AS WELL and the Deen of Islam." [Fatawaa' Al-Kubaraa' 4/608] Because Mujahideen fight for

the supremacy and existence of Islam on this Earth, if they were not there, then there would be no more Muslims left as they would all have been killed by the enemies of Islam.

Sheikh Abdullah Azzam was once asked, "Is the Jihad in need of men?". He replied, "The Jihad is in need of money and MEN are in need of Jihad." It is also encouraged for the Muslims to indulge in trade and enterprise in order to generate funds for the Jihad around the world.

Azzam Publications is able to accept all kinds of Zakah and Sadaqah donations and pass them on to where they are most needed. We can categorically say that Azzam Publications ONLY helps the oppressed people by passing on the money directly without cutting for unnecessary expenditure; it does NOT support, financially or otherwise, terrorist acts against innocent citizens, in ANY country in the world. This is fact NOT just a disclaimer.

Azzam Publications would also like to inform the Muslims anywhere in the world, that before they part with their money to people who claim to be collecting for 'Mujahideen', they must satisfy four criteria in their minds first: ((1) Has this person actually been on Jihad himself, if so, where and for how long? (2) If this person has not been, is he passing on the money to someone who has physically been on Jihad? (3) Is this person in direct contact with the Mujahideen of the country in whose name he is collecting? (4) Is he prepared to have his references verified from the Ameer of the Jihad in any particular place? Is he in a position to produce written evidence from the Ameer of the Jihad in any particular land as an authority to collect funds on their behalf?) It is unfortunate that there are a number of people who collect under the name of the Jihad but very little, if any, of this money actually reaches the Mujahideen.

#### Increasing their knowledge in ALL aspects of Islam and acting upon it

The foremost reason for the failure of the Muslim communities to support and be involved in Jihad is their ignorance of the general obligations required from them as a Muslim. If someone, for example, finds it very difficult to pray five times a day, then this person will have extreme difficulties in the land of Jihad. One who finds it difficult to leave his warm bed in the morning and go to the mosque for the Fajr prayer will have extreme difficulties in leaving his family and luxurious life to travel to the land of Jihad. Jihad is one of the many duties of Islam, and it is the most difficult. One who finds it difficult to practise the easy and small parts of Islam, will inevitably find himself unable to practise the hardest and topmost part, Jihad. The Prophet (SAW) said, "The peak of the matter is Islam, its pillar is Salah and its topmost part is Jihad." [Ahmad, Tirmidhi, Ibn Majah]

Jihad is a mentally and physically strenuous act of worship, for which a person can only prepare by strengthening his Iman. Allah (SWT) will not give the victory to a people that are continuing committing sins, such as missing prayers, not praying in the mosque, failing to learn how to recite the Quran properly, following the obligatory acts of the Sunnah (e.g. keeping a beard and raising the lower garment above the ankles), having bad character, etc. etc. Umar bin Al-Khattab used to address his Muslim army before a battle such: "By Allah! We do not defeat the enemy on account of our numbers and weapons, because the enemy is stronger than us in numbers and weapons. But we defeat the enemy because our sins are less than theirs. If our sins were equal, then they would defeat us on account of their larger numbers and weapons." Therefore, while a person is outside the land of Jihad, he can increase his knowledge by reading books based on scholars of the Salaf-us-Saalih (Pious Predecessors), listening to audio cassettes given by scholars not inclined towards the oppressive governments. The biggest step in someone really wishing to increase his/her knowledge of Islam is to learn the Arabic language. Indeed, scholars such as Imam Shafi'ee and Ibn Taymiyyah made it obligatory upon EVERY sane adult Muslim to learn the Arabic language. Without this, a person can fall into the ignorance, blind following and hype of ignorant people who call to Islam. The Arabic language equips a Muslim with the ability to refer DIRECTLY to the sources of Islamic knowledge such as the Tafseer, Fiqh and Sharh (explanation) of Ahadeeth. The general ignorance of the Muslims in the West can be attributed to three things: (1) lack of the Arabic language which allows them to refer to direct sources; (2) obtaining knowledge from people that

do not base their knowledge on the teachings of the early classical scholars (Salaf-us-Saalih) and; (3) obtaining their knowledge and respecting those scholars who claim to follow the Salaf, but who in reality follow the whims and desires of the government. This third thing misleads the people when it comes to issues concerning Jihad and current affairs. The best and only people who should be consulted when it comes to Jihad and current affairs are the Mujahideen and their scholars. Whoever wishes to legislate about Jihad should stand in the battlefield and legislate about Jihad. Sitting back at home in comfortable dwellings without any problems does not authorise a scholar or anyone to legislate about Jihad. A sincere seeker of truth should ONLY ask the Mujahideen and their scholars about issues relating to Jihad and current affairs in the Muslim world. Scholars who support the governments and incline to the rulers are NOT an authority on Jihad and current affairs, although they may be consulted in other matters such as e.g. belief, wudu, if they have the correct Aqeedah of the Salaf.

Azzam Publications is currently in the process of producing a large number of original and into-English translated lectures by good trustworthy scholars and individuals on topics spanning the Islamic knowledge spectrum. We intend to inform all the brothers and sisters on our mailing list, about these audio tapes when they become available insha-Allah. They will insha-Allah be set at a very low price, around £1 per tape + P&P.

### Gaining knowledge in worldly spheres and helping the Mujahideen with it

Many Muslims who are in the West have an excellent opportunity to gain knowledge in a wide range of areas that can be of benefit to the Mujahideen. Examples of these are: management, organisation, computer operation, computer set-up and maintenance, computer networking, foreign languages, radio, satellite and tele-communications, medicine, car mechanics, etc. etc. Many Muslims today think, "I am only one person; there's only so much I can do." Today the situation in the world today is that many of the people carrying the battlefronts for the Muslims are of a basic educational standard. Why is that? Because the ones with the degrees and education are sitting back considering themselves too proud to go, and, besides, they are being told by others in their position, "You have a mind, so use it for the Muslims by getting a good job. To go Jihad is a waste for someone like you." This is exactly what the enemies of Islam want us to think like. Indeed, one educated person has made a WORLD of a difference to the Mujahideen.

The Jihad does not only consist of one person firing a gun. It consists of a large and complex structure that includes: the one who organises the weapons and ammunition, the one who cooks the food, the one who cleans the toilets, the one who looks after the sick and injured, the one who sits in the radio communications room, the one who maintains the motor vehicles, the one overseas who raises the money, the one who brings or transfers the money, the one sitting in a Western country who locates and purchases highly sophisticated equipment such as High Frequency Radios, etc. etc. Education, especially that gained in the West can be a tremendous help to the Mujahideen. All one has to do is to visit a land of Jihad for a fixed amount of time and inform the Ameer there that he is able to help in such and such thing. Here he is directly giving his expertise to the cause of Islam, rather than having dreams of changing society by speaking from 'educated' platforms. To teach computers to one Mujahid is better than to teach it to one thousand people who are not Mujahideen. That is because the Mujahid will certainly use that knowledge in fighting the enemies of Islam, whereas the others may or may not.

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## **Ambush of Russian Army Unit at Khartashoi, October 1995**

### **Location:**

A mountainous road passing through the district of Vidino and the town of Khartashoi.

### **Objective of Military Operation:**

As this was the first military operation in Chechnya carried out by the Foreign Mujahideen in Chechnya, the objective of this operation was to let the Russians know the strength of the Mujahideen and to pressurize them to reach a conclusion regarding their involvement in Chechnya.

### **Military Strategy:**

1. To attack territory occupied by the Russians with a view to take control of it.
2. To plant land mines on the road and set an ambush for the Russian vehicles once they begin to flee after the initial attack.

### **Strength of the Enemy:**

One battle tank, three armoured fighting vehicles, one truck and an assortment of weapons including Rocket-Propelled Grenades (RPGs) and machine-guns. More than 100 soldiers.

### **Strength of the Mujahideen:**

One 82mm 'Hound' Russian Mortar, two AT-3 'Fagot' Wire-guided missiles, three PK machine-guns, five RPGs, 40 Mujahideen with their personal weapons.

### **Result of the Operation:**

1. The destruction of the Russian battle tank, all three fighting vehicles and the killing of 41 Russian soldiers.
2. The fast withdrawal of all Russian Army units from the region surrounding the city of Vidino, together with some 450 military vehicles.

The operation lasted from 16:00 in the afternoon until 23:00 at night.

### **Photographs of this Operation**

(1) The planting of mines on the road before the operation.

(2) The firing of the AT-3 wire-guided missile to commence the operation.

(3) The firing of the 82mm Mortar upon the Russian units stationed in Khartashoi.

(4) Abdullah, a Russian Army convert to Islam, firing an anti-aircraft gun at attacking Russian jets.

(5) One Russian Army vehicle burning after its destruction by the Mujahideen.

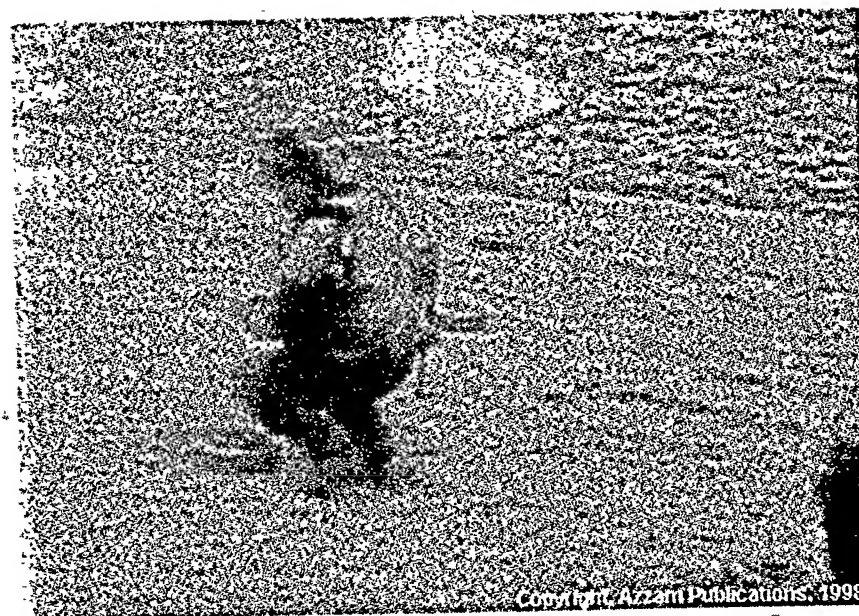
(6) A Russian Armoured Vehicle carrying soldiers before and after it was destroyed by Mujahideen

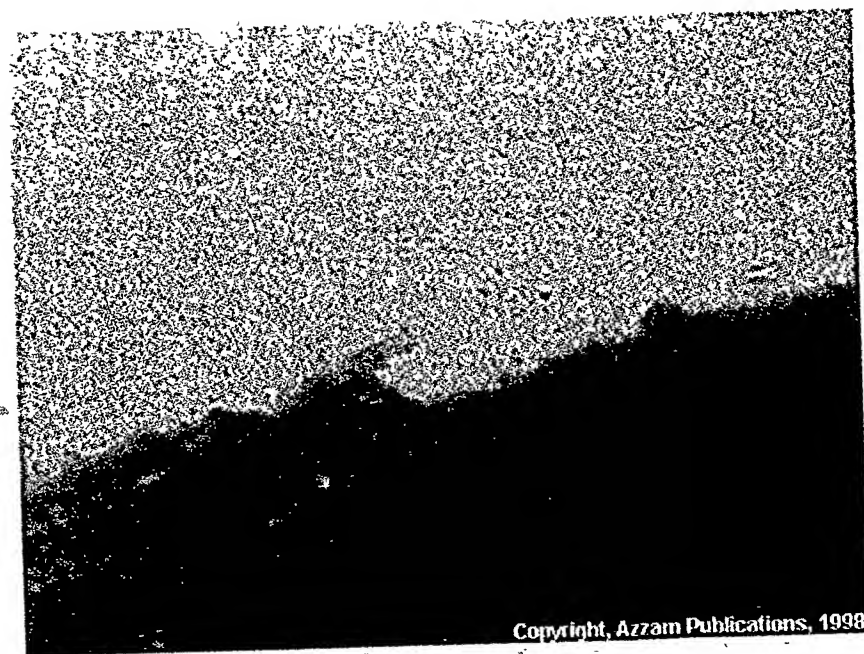
(7) A destroyed Russian Army vehicle a few days after the operation. Allahu-Akbar!

(8) Ibn-ul-Khattab (the Ameer of the Foreign Mujahideen in Chechnya) standing besides a destroyed Russian Army fighting vehicle.

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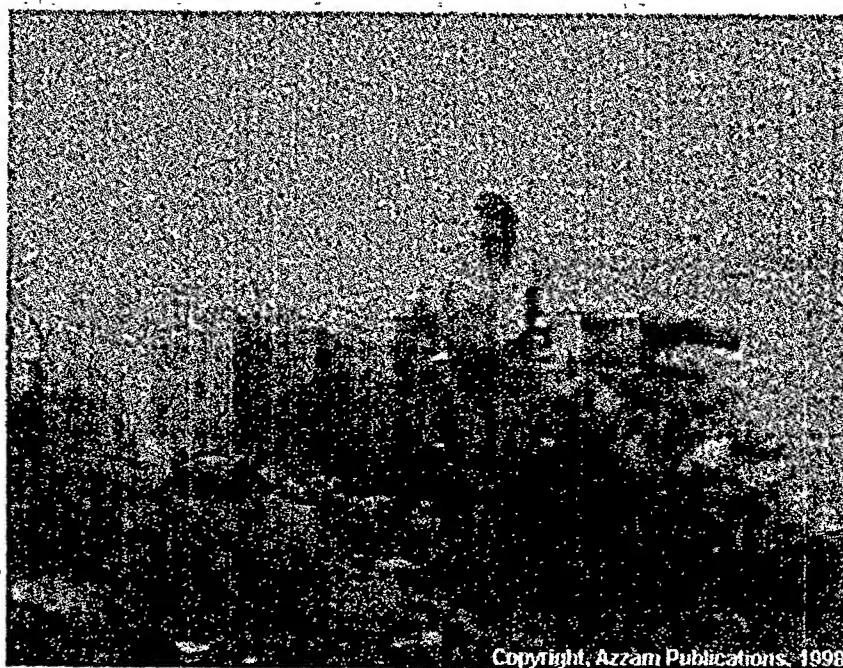
(9) The dead body of a Russian soldier lying besides his destroyed vehicle.





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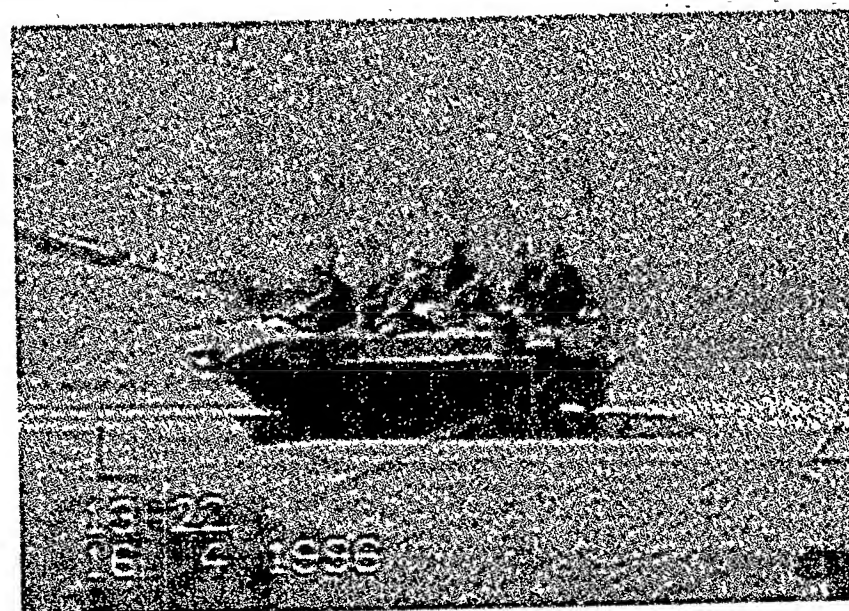


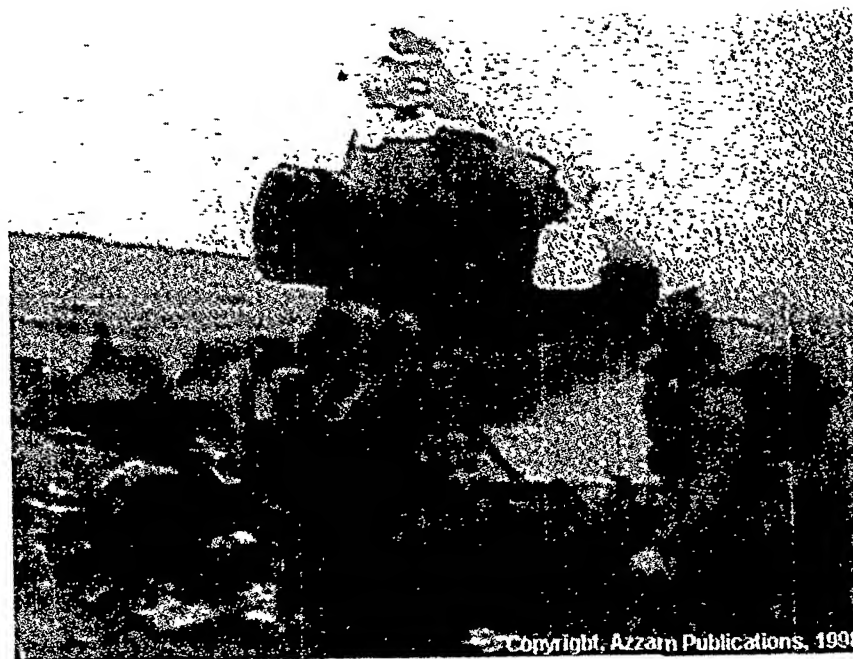
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## WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP AS A SISTER ?

### Raising funds amongst their families, friends and other sisters

Around the Muslim world, many of the people donating the most money to the Jihad are the women. For example, our brothers in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait tell us how the rich sisters amongst them empty their gold jewellery into the donation boxes for the Jihad. Recently, we heard from brothers in North America about one sister who sold ALL her gold jewellery (which she had been collecting all her life) worth about US \$2000 and donated it all to the Mujahideen. Another sister also in North America sold her dishwasher and washing machine to give the money to the Mujahideen. It is not the amount that is given but the sincerity of the person who gives it. We have seen in some cases that thousands of pounds donated by certain people has been finished very quickly, whereas only ten pounds given by other people has lasted a very long time.

Therefore the first and most important thing that sisters can do in the West is to donate money and to raise it amongst their families, friends and others. It is not required for women to fight at this moment in time so they can fulfil their obligations in one way by the collection and donation of funds.

### Actively encouraging the male members of their family to go for Jihad and bearing their absence with patience

By Allah, at the same time as the above statement, we say that one of the principal reasons putting many brothers off Jihad is the crises created by their wives, sisters and mothers. Jihad today is Fard Ain for the males, which means that every able bodied man must participate in Jihad else he is sinful. If a wife or mother prevents her husband or son from participating in the Jihad then she is sinful for EVERY drop of blood that is split and otherwise may have been saved if this brother was to go.

The one who ABANDONS Jihad is like the one who abandons Prayer and Fasting. We are not saying here that everyone should get up and go and not come back, but we are saying that Jihad is an obligation amongst the many obligations of Islam, such as Prayer, Fasting, Hajj, Zakah, seeking knowledge, earning a livelihood, etc. If one of these is compromised, then the whole Deen of an individual and the Muslim community as a whole suffers. At the same time, every Mujahid and Shaheed in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Chechnya, Palestine, etc. had a mother or wife or sister who in some cases encouraged them to go and in other cases held them back from going. For brothers, parents, wives or anyone else's permission is not required for them to go for Jihad in this day and age. The book "Join the Caravan" deals with this topic quite extensively as does "Defence of the Muslim Lands" which are both mentioned above. Therefore we advise our sisters to be wives, mothers and sisters of MEN not males, TIGERS not sheep, HEROES not cowards and WARRIORS not weaklings. The donating of money for a sister is PART of her obligation; the other part is to encourage the male members of her family to participate in Jihad, and, until the males are able to do so, to donate money, train themselves in physical pursuits such as running, martial arts, shooting, etc. For this reason unmarried sisters should not reject proposals from Mujahideen for fear of losing part of the Dunya. The scholars defined the maximum period that a Muslim man can be away from his wife in the Jihad as four months, after which he must return. If our sisters cannot even last four months away from their husbands, then they must study the lives of the early female Sahabiyyat (women at the time of the Prophet (SAW)). And married sisters should encourage their husbands to participate in the Jihad. Today, many Mujahideen brothers fear getting married as the majority of sisters, especially in the West, are amazed by the glitter of this Life and not willing to sacrifice for the Eternal Life. The wife of a



Shaheed will be with him in the highest part of Paradise and she will be many times more beautiful than she was in this Life, and she will be more beautiful to him than all his other wives in the Paradise. Therefore it is also in the interests of the sisters to encourage and pray for the martyrdom of their husbands, and to bear the news patiently when it happens. The wife of a Bahraini Prince, i.e. a Princess herself, encouraged her husband to go for Jihad many times. He spent a long time in Afghanistan and then was killed in Bosnia in September 1992, being the second foreign shaheed in the Land of Bosnia. When the news came of her husband's martyrdom she bore it with extreme patience. In the same way that a wife can persist with her husband to buy new and expensive furniture for the house, can she not persist with her husband to go and take part in Jihad?

### **Visiting the lands of Jihad with their male Mahram relatives**

Trying to go to the Lands of Jihad with their husbands or other Mahram males (blood-brothers, fathers, sons, etc.) and participating in activities such as educational and Dawah work amongst female refugees teaching children, nursing and medical help in the hospitals, and looking after the families and sick amongst the Mujahideen. The sad situation is that many sisters from the West would prefer to stay in comfortable houses with the latest domestic appliances and conveniences rather than travel to a Land with little facilities, only for the Sake of Allah. The Kafir women, unfortunately are more supportive in this aspect than some Muslim women. However, this should only be done of the mahram males of the sister go themselves. It is incorrect for sisters to travel to these places by themselves. Unfortunately there are no organisations that exist to arrange for sisters to take part in Jihad. It is up to married sisters to arrange such things themselves with male co-operating Mahram relatives.

### **Helping in publicising the Call of Jihad and the plight of the Mujahideen**

By helping to sell audio and video cassettes, books and distribution of leaflets in addition to helping organise fund collection amongst women in their communities, especially in Ramadan, and charity events and ventures.

### **Increasing their knowledge of Islam**

Another oft-neglected role that our sisters can play is in the increasing and learning of knowledge in the other fields of Islam, such as the concentration in Salah, correct recitation and memorisation of Quran, study of the correct Aqeedah (belief), Seerah (Life of the Prophet SAW), Lives of the Sahaabah and Sahaabiyyat. This cannot be emphasised enough as the study of the Deen is what induces a Muslim sister to live to worship Allah rather than to worship the Dunya. Ignorance of Muslim sisters today in the Deen is more felt by the society than the ignorance of the brothers. After all, it is the sisters who will bring up our children. As Malcolm X once said: "To educate a man is to educate an individual and to educate a woman is to educate a nation."

Therefore one of the best ways that our sisters in the UK can help us is by increasing their knowledge of Islam in a way that will benefit Islam not the tyrannical rulers. Unfortunately there are groups today that teach a correct understanding of parts of Islam but who, sadly, at the same time, support and protect the tyrannical rulers and speak up for the oppressive regimes. It is important for us to learn the good from such people but not accept anything from them when they support governments that cram the Muslim youth into prison camps (Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Iraq, Tunisia, Algeria, etc.), pull the Hijabs off the sisters who work for Islam (Tunisia, Syria), put the righteous scholars into prison cells in which they must answer the call to nature within the cell (Saudi Arabia) and electrocute parts of our brothers' bodies (most Arab governments including Saudi Arabia).

### **Dua for the Mujahideen**

At the very least, not to forget in their duas the fighters who have sold the Life of this World and are struggling for the Sake of Allah so that the rest of us can live in peace, and to ask Allah to accept the Shuhadaa (martyrs)

amongst them.

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# Memorandum

To : Las Vegas

Date 3/19/99

From : Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

Subject: AZZAM PUBLICATIONS

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[redacted] In accordance with Attorney General Guidelines,  
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[redacted] Azzam Publications website [redacted]  
[redacted] the FBI [redacted] Additional time is necessary (S)  
to determine [redacted] if any, with Azzam  
Publications. [redacted] (S)

## REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION

☒ The SAC is requested to authorize an inquiry as noted above.

☐ The BUREAU is requested to authorize above.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date: 05/13/1999

To: Houston

From: Las Vegas

Squad 6

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

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(U) Case ID #: (S) 199M-LV-31329 (Pending)

(U) Title: (S) AZZAM PUBLICATIONS;  
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OO: LAS VEGAS

(U) Synopsis: (S) To set lead at Houston.

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Contact: [REDACTED]

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